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SUBJECT: FAA RESPONSE TO RUSSIAN DIPLOMATIC NOTE

- 11. This is an action request -- see para 3.
- 12. Post is instructed to deliver the following response to the Russian Government's request for an FAA investigation into a safety-related incident at Emelyanovo airport involving a U.S.-registered private aircraft in November 12007.

13. Begin Text:

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation and has the honor to refer to Diplomatic Note No. 50 dated January 14, 2008. As requested, the Embassy passed the information contained in the subject Diplomatic Note to the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for investigation. The FAA expresses its appreciation to the MFA for calling attention to this matter and providing a detailed investigation report. The FAA subsequently conducted its own investigation into the incident involving the U.S.-registered Falcon-900 aircraft with the registration number N139AL on November 9, 2007, at Emelyanovo, Krasnoyarsk, and whether the aircraft landed at Emelyanovo when weather conditions were less than the required airport meteorological minimums. As a result of FAA's investigation, FAA has taken enforcement action against the pilot in the form of administrative action. A warning notice was issued to the pilot in accordance with FAA's compliance and enforcement policy, which will be made part of the pilot's enforcement history.

Complimentary closing.

End text. RICE